

Look at the Week Ahead

Sun Aug 26	9:00 AM	Worship with Communion
	10:00 AM	Coffee Hour
	6:30 PM	NA Meeting
Fri Aug 31	8:00 PM	AA/Al-Anon Meeting
Sat Sept 1	9:00 AM	Worship & Music Committee meeting at LaNette's
	5:00 PM	Worship with Communion

Rally Sunday is just over a month away! This is the Sunday we have an outdoor service, congregation potluck and register for Sunday School! The Sunday School program is always in need of art supplies, general classroom items (like tissues and Clorox wipes), and snacks. Sarah Kuchinka put together a wish list at Amazon if you wish to contribute - <http://a.co/g3TGAW0>. There will also be a giving tree outside the nursery beginning Rally Sunday. Contributions are entirely optional but very much appreciated! We have a unique group of 3rd and 4th graders this year - the class is approximately 70% boys! If there are any dads, older brothers, uncles, grandpas, etc. who would like to volunteer to help Emily Hoefs in that room once or twice throughout the year, that would be GREAT. Please let Sarah Kuchinka know!

Vacation Bible School was a huge success again this year. We had about 50 young people and learned about some Super Heroes of the Bible (David, Moses, Esther, Peter and Jesus). The enthusiasm among the kids, adult and youth helpers was contagious! Thanks so much to Pastor, Erin Krautkramer, Emily Hoefs, Lisa Schroeder, Anne Schroeder, Sara Kuchinka, Gail Skluzacek, Missy Gregor, Sarah Krocak, Jessica Westerman, Mavrick Birdsell, Chloe Grunow, Blake Herman, Natalee Korbitz, Max Krautkremer, Blake Kuball, Alice Schroeder, Ethan Schroeder, Isaac Schroeder, Nicole Schweitzer, Emma Skluzacek, Riley Skluzacek, Sophia Smith, Whitney Thompson, and Dylan Westerman for all their work! Thanks parents for sharing your kids with us!!! ~Kathy Westerman, Education Committee

Chronic Disease Self-Management group workshop offered by Aging Services. The group will meet on Wednesdays, September 12th– October 17th from 1:00-3:00 PM at St John Lutheran Church in the Fellowship Hall. There will be an informational meeting on Wednesday, September 5th at 1:00 PM at the church. Contact Aging Services with questions or to register 507-450-1518 mmaas@ccsommn.org. Register online at www.ccsommn.org.

SPECIAL THANKS TO ALL WHO HELPED WITH OUR SERVICE TODAY

Reader

Dianne DeWitte

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Philip Solberg

Doug & Karen Thompson

Jeanne Anderson

Communion Assistants

Peggy Hentges

Karen Vlasak

Youth Volunteer

Acolyte

Gabrielle Davidson

Altar Guild

Kathy Derhaag

Saturday's Service

*Thank you to our
volunteer ushers and
others helping with this*



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Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Jason Pollington, Pastor 507-667-9000
Eric Schroeder, President of Congregation
Sara Kuchinka, Sunday School Superintendent
Melissa Gregor, Youth Ministry Director/Secretary
Kathy Heyda, Music Director/Organist
Roman Jindra, Custodian

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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Psalm *Psalms 34:15-22*

Second Reading: *Ephesians 6:10-20*

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Gospel: *John 6:56-69*

Children's Sermon

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Dismissal

Welcome to Worship at St. John!

May you find peace and joy as we worship together on this day. We invite you to please sign the guest book located near the elevator. For those with children, we are grateful you are here. Activity bags and children's bulletins are available and are located at the top of the stairs. *All baptized Christians* who believe in Christ's real presence in Holy Communion may receive it. During the distribution of Holy Communion, children are invited to come forward to receive a blessing and a cookie. Wrapped gluten-free wafers and portioned cups of grape juice are available for Communion. Wine is distributed in the larger chalice and grape juice is distributed in the smaller chalice. Large print bulletins and inserts are available in the back of the church. Ask the head usher for these materials.

Worship Offering Last Weekend: General Fund \$3,392.43 Restoration Fund \$55
~ \$3,471.00 is needed weekly to meet the 2018 General Fund budget

Attendance Last Weekend: Saturday 18 ~ Sunday 87



Remember in your Prayers... Carol Svoboda, Peggy Schultz (Brenda Petersen's sister), Cathy Herrmann, Eileen Segna, Diane Schultz, Nancy Vollmar, Tom Trenda, Dale Benson, Greg Vlasak, Rev. Bob Boda, Phyllis Swidorski, Amy Korthuis (Judy Ferguson's sister-in-law), Nancy Creger, and Kathy Fellman (sister of Peggy Hentges).

Please remember in your Prayers the following who are serving our country: Matthew Astorino, Travis Ferguson, Cassidy Gilbertson, Shane Morris, Adam Smith, Adam Vlasak and Sam Westerhouse.



What if you were following a plan for your money that you KNEW worked? With Dave Ramsey's *Financial Peace University*, you CAN take control of your money, get out of debt, and create a plan for your future. If you're interested in learning more about the group, contact Angie & Mike Budin at askluzac@hotmail.com OR (507)364-5974. You can also visit <http://www.fpu.com/1068252> for additional class details, online registration or to order class materials. Classes (9 sessions) will be offered on Sundays at Holy Redeemer School beginning on September 9 from 6-8 PM!

Thank you for signing up to be Worship Assistants. The schedule for Sept-Dec is posted in the fellowship hall and at the main entrance to the sanctuary. Schedules will also be in the newsletter. *If you are unable to help on the day you are listed please call or email the church office no later than Wednesday of that week.* 507-364-5002 or stjohelca@frontier.com

Rally Sunday September 9, 2018 The Worship and Music Committee invited the St. Wenceslaus "Indigenous" Music Group to play for our outdoor service on Rally Sunday, September 9, 2018. We ask that you come to the service by 8:45 AM so you can enjoy the prelude music before the service begins at 9:00 AM. The group is composed of 6 musicians from New Prague who play concertina, guitars, drums, trumpet and keyboard. We are asking for donations from the congregation to help pay their fee of \$500. They will play prelude, offertory and postlude music plus congregational hymns. They are a talented group of men who use music to give honor to God. A church potluck will follow the 9:00 AM outdoor service. Mark your calendars!

There will be a CONGREGATIONAL MEETING ON SEPTEMBER 15th AND 16th, 2018 after the service to present information and discuss the bell tower repair.

Let's make some noise! Bring your loose change the next 2 Sundays for our noisy offering, donations will be used for Rally Sunday.

Thank you to everyone who packaged infant bundles on August 23rd. 35 bundles were sent to Lutheran World Relief and 32 bundles were sent to Liberia.

We are looking for volunteers to help prepare, serve and clean up the meal for our Annual 10th Grade Confirmation and Mentor Event. This meal will be served on Wednesday, September 5th at 6:30 PM, we would like volunteers there by 6 PM to prepare and set up. View the Project Page & RSVP: <https://thrivent.cotribute.co/events/154832/detail?src=f2> or talk to Megan Pratola about volunteering for this event.